

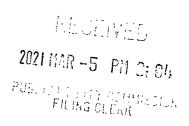
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To: Public Utility Commission

Re: Mismanagement of the Texas Power Grid

It is unforgivable for the PUC and ERCOT to not understand what severe and unusual winter weather can do to an unprotected power supply to the voters and consumers in Texas. The damage caused by this lack of oversight is astronomical. It is hard to understand how the appointed members of the PUC and officers of ERCOT can feel unashamed to actually get paid for doing very little for consumers, but a lot for energy providers such as the ability to sell natural gas in storage or easily transmittable to the power companies such gas at what the sellers know is an extremely high price. This is price gouging in its simplest form and you and ERCOT should seek damages and claw back any payments for your ineptitude. It is way past time to effectively winterize the Grid and pipelines. ERGOT should not pass on to utility providers the ridiculous high prices the PUC in all its dumbness allowed the price to exceed a reasonable price to exceed all fairness to the public.

It is time for the PUC to earn the Public in its title. We are the public, not public or private energy companies. We already know how Comstock was jumping for joy at the profit it made during the freezing weather.

It has not gone unnoticed that the Governor has jumped all over ERCOT, but not ever mention the PUC's role in this debacle, whose members he appoints. He also forgets that the buck stops at the top. Reform is needed in the oversight duties the PUC is supposed to perform.